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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: O'Dowd et al. Filed: Herewith

For: METHOD OF IDENTIFYING TRANSMEMBRANE

PROTEIN-INTERACTING COMPOUNDS

Date: September 30, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows prior to examination.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims, as reflected in the attached listing of claims, begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.